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1. In August 1948 approximately 300 Soviet tanks were seen at Lazarz Station at Poznan.
2. A man who was working on repairs to these tanks, said that an order had recently been received to complete repairs with all possible speed and that, at the time, work was being carried out on the electrical fittings.
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- a. Paragraph 1 does not imply that the tanks observed were in transit anywhere. The very large yards adjoining the Lazarz Station were used as a dump for various war vehicles, mainly Soviet tanks.
- b. From 1945, and until July, 1946, these tanks were in the Cegielski Works at Poznan in some workshops under Soviet administration engaged in repairs on Soviet tanks. Approximately 1,000 workmen were employed in the workshops. The Cegielski Works are situated quite close to Lazarz Railway Station.
- c. At that time damaged Soviet tanks were being collected at two points in Poznan: at Lazarz Railway Station and near the Main Railway Station (Dworzec Główny).
- d. The tanks were mostly type T34.
- e. After the middle of 1946 tank repairing was discontinued at the Cegielski Works, and the tanks were sent away, as they were, loaded on railroad flatcars.
- f. In the second half of 1946, the Cegielski Works reverted to their original production and since then have neither built nor repaired tanks.
- g. It is quite probable that the tanks mentioned in paragraph 1 above, seen in August, 1948, at Lazarz Station, were the remainder of those collected by the Russians in 1945/1946 and that some repairs were now being carried out on them on the spot or in some other workshops, but not by the Cegielski Works.)

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